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Attorney Docket No. 26653U

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Alfred NORDHEIM, et al.

Confirm. No. 7002

Appl. No: 10/527,055

Examiner: A.D. STEELE

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Art Unit: 1639

For: **METHOD FOR DETECTING BIOMOLECULES**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is in response to the Official Action dated November 3, 2009. The one month shortened statutory period for response expired on December 3, 2009, which is extended to April 3, 2010, by a Petition for four month Extension of Time submitted herewith. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the following response, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the restriction requirement, and consider all of the pending claims for examination on the merits.

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A **Conclusion** appears on page 6 of this paper.